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SUBJECT: ECUADOR ATTENDANCE AT 64TH UNGA

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¶1. (SBU) PolOff spoke with MFA Multilateral Affairs Director General Lourdes Puma on August 14 to determine which GOE officials would attend UNGA (reftel). Puma said that President Rafael Correa would not be traveling to the U.S., that Foreign Minister Fander Falconi would represent Ecuador at the UNGA, and that no dates had been confirmed. Post will continue to follow up to confirm Ecuador's attendance.

¶2. (SBU) The following is initial information on GOE attendance in the format requested in reftel:

A and B. Attendance of the Head of State or Head of Government

-- Rafael CORREA Delgado, President
-- Will NOT attend.

¶C. Attendance of the Foreign Minister.

-- Fander FALCONI Benitez, Foreign Minister.
-- September 22-25 (present for General Debate), dates to be confirmed.
-- Spouse not attending.
-- Foreign Minister Falconi speaks some English, but prefers Spanish.
-- Bilateral meeting requested.

¶D. Attendance of other VIPs.

-- Economist Ivonne GARCES Almeida, Under Secretary for Economic and Commercial Affairs, MFA.
-- September 22 - 30, to be confirmed.
-- Spouse not attending.
-- Garces speaks some English, but prefers Spanish.

¶E. Attendance of the Foreign Ministry officials responsible for IO affairs.

-- Ambassador Carlos JATIVA Naranjo, Under Secretary of Multilateral Affairs, MFA.
-- September 22 - 30.
-- Spouse not attending.
-- Ambassador Jativa speaks fluent English, French and Spanish.

-- Ambassador Lourdes PUMA Puma, Director General of Multilateral Affairs, MFA.
-- September 22 - 30.
-- Spouse not attending.
-- Ambassador Puma speaks fluent English and Spanish.

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